

MINUTES
TELLICO PLAINS PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING
Monday, August 13, 2018

Members Present

Mitch Millsaps, Chair
Mike Atkins, Secretary
Larry Harris, Alderman
Chad Johnson

Members Absent

Patrick Hawkins, Mayor

Others Present

Ruth Viergutz Hawk, Staff
Greg Altum, Press

CALL TO ORDER AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chairman Millsaps called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m. Commissioner Atkins moved to approve the May 14, 2018, minutes as submitted. Commissioner Johnson seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS – CHAIRMAN AND SECRETARY

Commissioner Harris moved to keep the existing officers: Chairman – Mitch Millsaps and Secretary – Mike Atkins. Commissioner Johnson seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

DISCUSSION OF THE TELLICO PLAINS SIGN ORDINANCE

Staff presented a power point presentation on the current Tellico Plains Sign Ordinance. A general discussion followed. The goal is to improve visibility, but reduce clutter. The commission agreed they liked how the Visitor Center, Museum, and Skyway Realty Signs looked. Staff will investigate the possibility of doing trailblazer type directional signs on Highway 68 and the Cherohala Skyway to help direct motorists to businesses off the main roads. Such wayfinding signs could help reduce the number of illegal signs.

REPORT ON MINOR SUBDIVISION PLAT REVIEW/APPROVAL

Staff reported that Commissioner Atkins had signed off on the Unicoi Lane right-of-way abandonment subdivision plat for Parcel 001.00, Group D, Tax Map 146H, 305 Unicoi Lane, for Gary Harris.

OTHER BUSINESS

Staff reported that TDOT is looking at improvements to the intersection of Hwy 68 and Mecca Pike.

Staff reminded the commission there would be no planning commission meeting on September 10, 2018. A different date will be chosen if a meeting is necessary.

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ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:09 p.m.

Secretary

Date